

# How Do I Preserve My Documents, Photographs and Digital Memories?

When it comes to family history, those books, papers and photographs we all keep stored away do more than just record the past – they connect us with our loved ones and ancestors, and often tell us as much about our present and future as they do about our history.

Join the Delaware Public Archives (DPA) to learn how to preserve these artifacts for future generations. On **Saturday, April 4, at 10:30 a.m.**, the Archives will show you how to properly handle and store your family's treasures to protect those irreplaceable memories and ensure long term preservation. Archives staff member Sarah Denison, coordinator of the historical markers program, will present information on the preservation of paper documents and photographs and will address digital preservation and changing technology. Managing memories for the future requires careful action and consideration of cost and longevity. This program will highlight some of the cost-effective steps every home archivist can take to preserve their precious family records. Before taking over the historic markers program, Ms. Denison worked as a processing archivist at DPA and worked on a number of collections, including the Small Manuscript Collection's Civil War letters; Board of Education photographs; Sussex County Orphans Court Records; the Caley Postcard Collection; and the Vietnam Mailbag Collection. Ms. Denison is currently pursuing her master's degree at Drexel University in Library and Information Science with concentrations in Archival Studies and Digital Curation.

The workshop is free to the public and will last approximately one hour. No reservations are required. For more information,

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For more information about the Delaware Public Archives,  
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The Delaware Public Archives is located at 121 Martin Luther  
King Jr. Boulevard North in Dover. The Mabel Lloyd Ridgely  
Research Room is open to the public Monday – Friday from 8  
a.m. to 4:15 p.m. On the second Saturday of every month the  
research room is open from 9 a.m. to 4:15 p.m.